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Filed: June 23, 2000  
For: INTERACTION OF COLLOID-IMMOBILIZED SPECIES  
WITH SPECIES ON NON-COLLOIDAL STRUCTURES

Examiner: Gary W. Counts  
Art Unit: 1641

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**LETTER**

Sir:

Applicants enclose herewith copies of two Information Disclosure Statements (IDSs) previously submitted by the Applicants in the above-indicated application. As indicated by the enclosed copies of Applicants' Return Receipt Postcards, the first of the IDSs enclosed was mailed to the Patent Office by Applicants on February 6, 2003 - and accorded a filing date of February 10, 2003 by the Office of Initial Patent Examination (OIPE), as indicated by the date stamp - and the second of the IDSs enclosed was mailed to the Patent Office by Applicant on July 16, 2003 - and accorded a filing date of July 16, 2003 by the OIPE, as indicated by the date stamp.

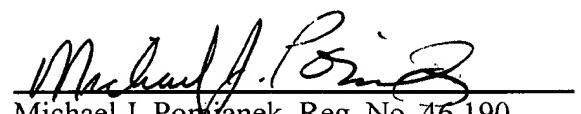
The Examiner of this application, Gary W. Counts of Art Unit 1641, has indicated to Applicants' representative that neither of the enclosed IDSs was entered into the application file or provided to him for examination. It was recommended to Applicants' representative by Examiner Counts's supervisor, Examiner Long Le, that Applicants resubmit a copy by mail of the previously submitted IDSs together with copies of the date stamped Return Receipt Postcards and copies of the non-patent literature documents previously submitted with the previously submitted IDSs, so that they can be properly entered into the application file and considered by

the examiner. Examiner Le further indicated that Applicants send a copy of each of the above-indicated IDSs, without cited references, by facsimile, to Examiner Counts. Applicants duly submitted these copies to Examiner Counts by facsimile on September 15, 2003. Examiner Le indicated that Examiner Counts could retrieve the patent documents cited in the IDSs from the Patent Office's databases, and that it would not be necessary to resubmit these with the present resubmission.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Patent Office enter the enclosed IDSs into the application file, accord them the filing date indicated on their respective enclosed date-stamped Return Receipt Postcards, and forward the IDSs and the enclosed non patent literature documents to Examiner Counts for his consideration.

Applicants note that the appropriate IDS submission fees were paid when the enclosed IDSs were previously submitted, and, therefore, no additional fees should be due at this time. If, however, a fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 23/2825.

Respectfully submitted,  
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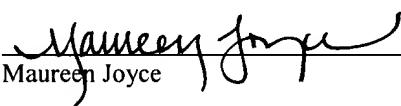
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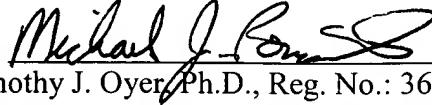
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Letter to the patent Office

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It is believed that no fee is required for the present submission; therefore, a check is not enclosed. If a fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 23/2825. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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Sir:

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STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF  
DISCLOSURE UNDER 37 CFR §§1.56, 1.97 AND 1.98

Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97

This Information Disclosure Statement has been filed more than three months after the filing date of this application and after the mailing date of the first Office Action, but before the mailing date of either a final action under 37 C.F.R. §1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. §1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in this application. The fee of \$180.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is enclosed.

PART II.: Information Cited

The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

The Applicant hereby makes the following additional information of record in the above-identified application:

The following co-pending applications that may contain subject matter related to this application are enclosed unless the earlier application is identified herein and is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. §120, and the copy was provided in the earlier application:

<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Inventor(s)</u>
09/324,258	June 2, 1999	Cynthia C. Bamdad
10/304,462	November 26, 2002	Cynthia C. Bamdad, R. Shoshana Bamdad, and Michael Frid

A copy of the International Search Report for the corresponding PCT Application No.: PCT/US00/01504 is enclosed.

PART III: Explanation of Non-English Language References and Remarks Concerning Other Information Cited

The following is a concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language reference listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified):

The relevance of each foreign language reference is indicated in the attached International Search Report.

PART IV.: Remarks

Documents cited anywhere in the Information Disclosure Statement are enclosed unless otherwise indicated. It is respectfully requested that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
2. The enclosed form PTO-1449 be signed by the Examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application;
3. The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that a search has been performed, of the extent of any search performed, or that more relevant information does not exist.

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b).

By submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, the Applicant makes no representation that the information cited in the Statement is, or is considered to be, in fact, prior art as defined by 35 U.S.C. §102.

Notwithstanding any statements by the Applicant, the Examiner is urged to form his own conclusion regarding the relevance of the cited information.

An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

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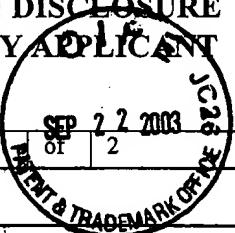
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### U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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### FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF  
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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

PART I: Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97

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